

Basic Detail Report

Title Plate

Date late 19th-early 20th century

Primary Maker Willets Manufacturing Co.

Medium Mechanically-molded earthenware with underglaze black and green decoration and overglaze gilding

Description Round, earthenware plate with an underglaze, printed black pattern, green border, and gilding at the rim. The black pattern, found in the center of the plate, shows a chubby child, naked and with ringlets in his hair, straddling a barrel with the date "1776" printed on the end. The boy is holding on to a basket filled with fruit that sits in front of him on the barrel. Beneath the barrel are the words, "TRADE MARK/ WINDHAM BACCHUS". Surrounding the pattern at the rim, the green border consists of meandering vines with leaves. Periodically, the leaves and vines extend past the rim of the plate, pointing toward the pattern in the center. The edge of the rim was once gilded, however, most of the gilding has worn away. All of the surfaces of the plate have crazing. A slightly tacky yellow substance, perhaps the residue from tape, has adhered to the bottom of the rim.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (diameter): 8in. (20.3cm)